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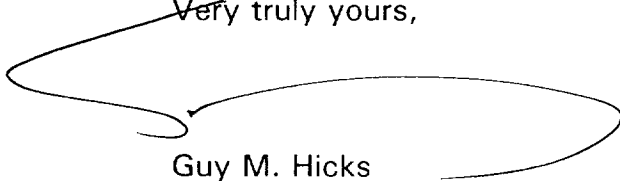
David Waddell, Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: *Tariff Filing of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to Reduce Grouping
Rates in Rate Group 5 and to Implement a 3% Late Payment Charge
Docket No. 00-00041*

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are the original and thirteen copies of the proprietary portions BellSouth's Responses to the Consumer Advocate Division's Second Data Request, which are being submitted pursuant to the terms of the Protective Order entered in this matter on April 5, 2000. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,



Guy M. Hicks

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Enclosure